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PROGRESSIVE REVOLT.

From California to Maine the Progressives are now in
open revolt against the domination of the Hughes presi-
dential candidacy by reactionary Republicans. The break
between the Progressives and Republicans which started
in California has swept to the east and is now a menacing
actuality which is confounding the Hughes campaign man-
agers. Uprisings against the present campaign methods of
the Old Guard Republican organization of alarming propo-
rations have broken out in practically every western state
visited by Mr. Hughes upon his present tour.

Within the past few weeks the split which had been
developing in the east has become wide open in Pennsylv-
ania, Delaware and New York; and during the past few
days Bainbridge Colby, of New York, one of the foremost
Progressives of the nation, has been stamping the state of
California with a stirring message to the Independents and
Progressives of that state in support of President Wilson's
re-election.

Colorado Progressives complain that they are being
accorded the same kind of treatment which was meted out
to Governor Johnson of California, to wit: that they were
excluded from all official participation in the Hughes
speechmaking tour of that state. Angered by the attitude
of the stand-pat Republican machine, Governor Carlson,
candidate for renomination as a Progressive Republican,
refused to attend the Hughes meeting in Denver.

Commenting upon the treatment being accorded the
Progressives by those in charge of Mr. Hughes' presi-
dential candidacy, the Los Angeles Tribune sums up the
situation in this fashion:

"For some time it has seemed quite certain that our
reactionary friends and brethren could not be happy with
the Progressives either in or out of the Republican party.
With the Progressives in the Republican party the re-
actionary element constitutes a decided minority and the
Progressives are not tolerant of dictation by the old-time
bosses. Citizens holding progressive ideals have acquired
the habit of thinking for themselves and are not easily led,
commanded, controlled, cajoled or fooled."

BETTER THAN SUCCESS.

In the midst of the mingled heroism and cruelty, sacri-
fice and sordidness, of the European conflict, the news
of Lieut. Shackleton's exploit in the Antarctic came like
a refreshing breeze among miasmic vapors. It was pure
heroism and high adventure, the plain, prosaic narrative
of which reminds one of chronicles of the old Norsemen.

What a saga a Norse bard could have made of this
whole polar expedition, filled with misfortune and glory!
The long trip to the Antarctic continent, the unavailing
efforts to land on the bleak cliffs among churning ice-
bergs, the destruction of their ship, the five months spent
on floating ice driven by ceaseless hurricanes, the loss of
a boatload of men, the refuge found for a score of the
party in a hole in an ice cliff battered by tempestuous
seas, the long voyage of the leader in a small boat to
South Georgia, the perilous landing, the climbing of an
almost impossible mountain range in the midst of winter,
the sending of a rescue ship which was driven back by
storms, the sending of another which met the same fate,
and the final success of the leader in a third attempt,
rescuing the men who had clung dauntlessly to that ice
cliff for nearly five months, with only five weeks' pro-
visions—nowhere in the annals of adventure is there a
finer tale of human courage and endurance.

Lieut. Shackleton need not lament his failure to reach
the South Pole. He has done better than reach the Pole.
He and his party have given a demonstration of manhood
which makes all men think better of mankind.

Some of the citizens of New York, Massachusetts,
Pennsylvania and Illinois are complaining because those
four states pay more direct federal taxes than all the
rest of the country together. But what do they want?
To tax men instead of property? Or to tax wealth where
it isn't, instead of where it is?

Speaking of Antarctic vicissitudes, Shackleton observes:
"The rudder fell off and went out to sea;" which may
throw light upon the plight of the Hughes-Fairbanks
party, which has been lost since June on a cruise in
search for a campaign issue.

ABOLISHING LONELINESS.

One of the unexpected blessings of the war, says
John Ervine, the British dramatist, is the elimination of
the "lonely woman."

The women indicated by this term have long con-
stituted a large class in Great Britain, where the female
population much outnumbers the male. It is somewhat
the same situation that exists among our native New Eng-
landers, where there is a reorganized problem of the "un-
attached woman."

Mr. Ervine tells of the spinsters with private income
and the widows without family who used to spend their
days drifting aimlessly from boarding house to boarding
house, from resort to resort, "carrying their dullness with
them wherever they went." They were insufferably bored
with life because they had nothing to do, no occupation
for hand or mind, no genuine interest to vitalize their
souls.

"They filled up big gaps in their lives with a misce-
laneous collection of ailments and afflictions and terrors,
mean niggings or futile benevolence, backbiting or bridge-
—perpetual, piffing bridge." The type is quite recogniz-
able. We ourselves have it on exhibition at every sum-
mer and winter resort, and visible in its milder phases in
nearly every city.

The war has changed all that, declares Mr. Ervine.
"If there is a lonely woman left in England, it is her
own fault. If there is a woman in these islands who is
without occupation, without friends, without definite and
high purpose, that woman has no one but herself to blame.
Wherever one goes one sees women formerly idle, now
busy over work that not only employs them, but inspires
them. In cities and towns and villages one sees them
making bandages and surgical dressings, packing parcels,
picking sphagnum moss very carefully lest anything be en-
tangled in it that would injure a wounded man on whom
it is to be used. All these and myriad other employments
have turned lonely, useless women into women who have
many friends and who are performing valuable work."

It is an excellent change, good unquestionably for the
women concerned. And yet making surgical bandages can
hardly be held up as a model occupation, nor a permanent
one, nor a productive one. What a pity that relief from
loneliness and emptiness of soul can be purchased only at
the price of so tragic and ephemeral a diversion! A divi-
sion which itself implies the bitter loneliness of bereave-
ment to hundreds of thousands of other women.

After the war the old problem will return. We have it
always; every civilized nation has it. And can civilized
society find no corresponding interest to make life fruitful
and worth while for its "lonely women" in times of peace?

ON TO CONSTANTINOPLE?

There is always a riddle in the Balkans. Just now
there are several riddles. To enumerate only three:
What is Greece going to do? What is Russia going to do?
What is the allied army at Salonica going to do? Any one
of these problems is sufficient to keep a "war fan" awake
nights.

It seems settled that Greece will line up her military
forces with those of the Allies, although what her contri-
bution will amount to and when it will be made are hard
to guess. With Greece's decision apparently made, the
intentions of the Russian and Salonican armies are mat-
ters of greater interest.

There is undoubtedly a thorough understanding be-
tween them. There is all the more interest, then, in
knowing when those half a million or three quarters of a
million British, French and Serbian troops at Salonica will
strike, in what direction they will strike, and what their
objective will be. Their first big movement will tell the
story.

An American college professor who has just returned
from Russia after several years' residence there maintains
that Russia intends to drive straight through Bulgaria and
strike at Constantinople from the European side. It seems
quite possible, although the experts have said little about
it. If the Russians and Rumanians succeed in beating
back the German-Bulgarian offensive in eastern Rumania,
it would be a natural move.

Constantinople is of course the one great aim of Rus-
sia in this war. She seeks to realize the ambition of 200
years and many wars. The British fleet has tried to win
the great prize for her, and failed. Grand Duke Nicholas
has tried, by striking at the remote back door of Constanti-
nople, through the Caucasus region. That way is long and
tedious. It seems reasonable to accept the view that Rus-
sia really means to take the shortcut through the Balkan
peninsula, striking as Bulgaria struck in the recent Balkan
war, hoping to smash the Tchetatja line of forts, which
stopped Bulgaria's progress and march triumphantly into
what every normal Russian already calls "Czarigrad"—the
City of the Czar.

If the Russians deliver such a stroke, the Salonica
army may simultaneously drive northward to sweep the
Teutons and Bulgarians out of Serbia and penetrate
Hungary. But first, Von Hindenburg will have to be
defeated decisively in the Dobrudja, and the way cleared
for Russia's progress through eastern Bulgaria toward
her goal.

If it is just for the federal income tax law to make an
extra exemption of \$1,000 for married men, why isn't it
just to make an additional exemption for men with chil-
dren, as most foreign nations do?

Speaking of the irony of fate, a physician remarks:
"Some people exercise to get fat, others to get thin.
Mostly the first group get thin and the second get fat."
What's the use?

Mr. Hughes was photographed in Los Angeles beside
the skeleton remnants of a mastodon. In this campaign
he is standing by the skeleton remnants of a political
party that was once mastodon.



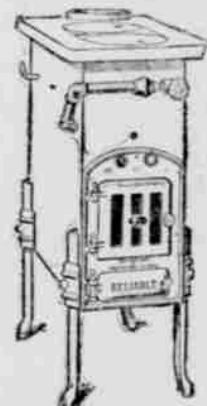
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Senator George Sutherland.

Senator George Sutherland of Utah
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can Bar association at its recent an-
nual convention in Chicago. His
election gave the far west the honor
of having a member in that office for
the first time.

A BATCH OF SMILES

"The younger members of a con-
gregation sometimes ask shrewd ques-
tions," says a parson.
e"Once told a very young class that
there were as many commandments
as there were fingers and thumbs on
the two hands. One of my listeners
introduced a small friend to me a day
or so after with the question:
"Please, sir, here's Jim. He's only
got three fingers on his left hand on
account of an accident an' me an'
him's been talkin' it over since last
Sunday which one of them command-
ments wouldn't belong to him."

Two boys stood the other day and
watched an enormous safe being raised
to the top story of a high building.
The boys watched the safe rise
slowly, dangling at the end of its wire
rope, and when it reached nearly to
the top the older lad turned away in
disgust.
"Come on, Joe," he said. "We might
as well move on. They ain't a-goin'
to let her drop."

An Irishman and a Scotchman were
working together on the docks in Liver-
pool when somehow the Scotchman
slipped and fell into the water, and
being unable to swim and struggling

in the water for some time, he shout-
ed out:
"Pat! Pat! will you drop me a line?"

"Wat's the use, man," said Pat.
"Shure there's no postoffice where
you're goin' to."

Mrs. Newcoyne—They tell me those
dishes I bought for antique pottery
were made in New York last summer.

Mr. Newcoyne—It must be they are
not what they were cracked up to be.

She—"Father doesn't want me to
marry you. He says you are too thrif-
ty."

He—"Why, if that's the case he
ought to like me, eh?"
She—"But you are so spendthriftly,
dear."



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